Colorado River State Historic Park

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Become a Junior Ranger at Yuma
Quartermaster Depot State Historic
Park! Pledge to do your part to help
protect the history of the park for
everyone to enjoy! Get your Junior Ranger
booklet at the park, complete it, and bring
it to a Park Ranger for review. Then
receive your Junior Ranger Button!
Enjoy this sample activity. We hope to
see you at the park.

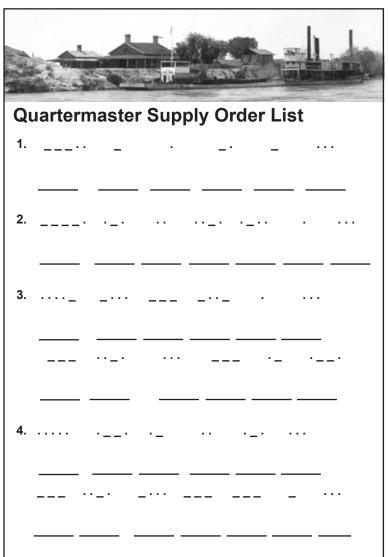
Knowing the Code

Junior Ranger Activity: Before our modern day internet or even phones, people communicated using the telegraph. The telegraph allowed people to communicate over long distances using beeping sounds that traveled through telegraph wires, just as sound travels through our telephone wires today. Joesph Henry invented the telegraph and Samuel Morse created the language of short and long beeps to represent letters and numbers.

The first military telegraph in Arizona was located here on the grounds of the Yuma Quartermaster Depot. Use the Morse Code below to discover what was on the Quartermaster's supply order list.

Morse Code Key

A =	T = _
B =	U =
C =	V =
D =	W =
E = .	X =
F =	Y =
G =	Z =
H =	1 =
I =	2 =
J =	3 =
K =	4 =
L=	5 =
M =	6 =
N =	7 =
0 =	8 =
P=	9 =
Q =	0 =
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Rocky Ringtail



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